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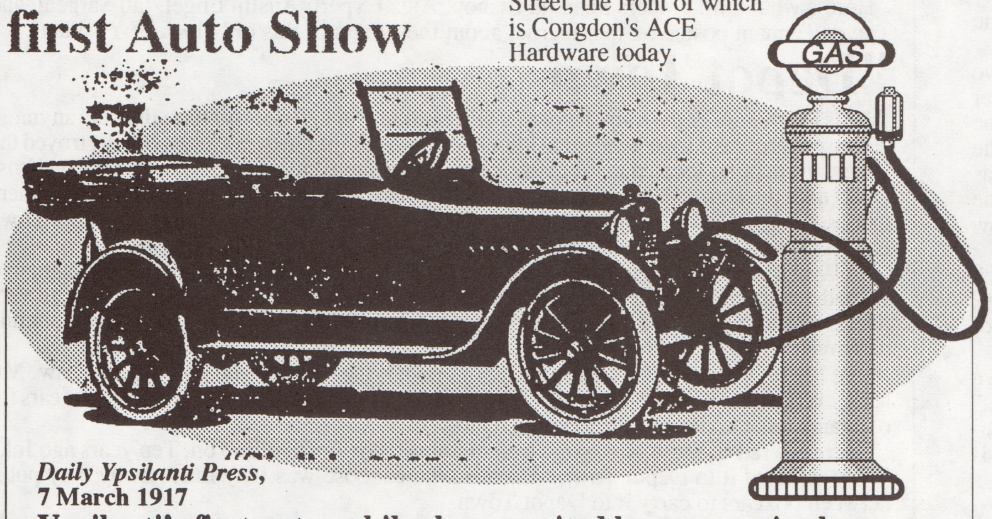
1996 Heritage Fest theme: 100th Anniversary of the Automobile

Here's how Ypsi celebrated its first Auto Show

Ypsilanti knows how to put on a show - as evidenced by the quarter of a million people who will show up for the 1996 Heritage Festival and all the attendant hoopla. Such hyperbole seems to be one of the most evident portions of our history in this old town. To commemorate what we call the "100th Anniversary of the Automobile," we remember the town's first auto show in the Glover Building on Pearl Street, the front of which is Congdon's ACE Hardware today.



***Daily Ypsilanti Press*, 7 March 1917**

Ypsilanti's first automobile show awaited by prospective buyers

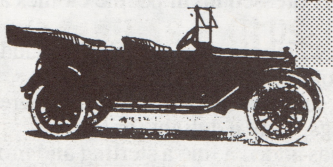
• Splendid array of newest in cars of all descriptions will be on exhibition for big event to be held in Glover Building. . .

Elaborate plans are being made by local automobile dealers for the first annual automobile show to be held in Ypsilanti. March 16 and 17 are dates fixed fo the display and all sorts of shining cars will be here for the occasion.

The event will be in the Glover building on Pearl street. All kinds of booths are being engaged for teh two days and the event is expected to assume general carnival proportions without the usual objectionable features of a carnival.

Members of the Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters are busy with preparations for the event and numerous plans are being laid for entertianment of crowds expected to be present.

Exhibits of fancy work, home baked goods, etc., will be on the second floor and good music will be furnished for dancers.



Be Ready for the Big Event WE ARE!

First Annual AUTO SHOW

by the Ypsilanti dealers, March 16 & 17, 1917

Name the occasion. Name the function that this LIVE STORE cannot coincide with on a Moment's Notice.

The First ANNUAL AUTO SHOW by Ypsilanti Dealers promises to be a real moving event. We admire things which are progressive, so we say make preparations to be present at the Auto Show.

Go Right; outfitted in the latest styles such as are found at this Live Kupenheimer Store.

You have arrived!

Welcome to *Ann Arbor* area's historic new Depot Town

The June issue of *Money Magazine* rated Ann Arbor as the "fifth best place to live in America," and featured a picture of kids playing on Depot Town's antique caboose to illustrate the honor. James MacDonald asked their editors why Ypsilanti would play such a prominent role in Ann Arbor's success and they indicated Ypsilanti's lower crime rate is melded into the "total area."

Then the *News/Press* reported Frog Island Festival's great success in an article in which one notable guest described the event as being in "the Ann Arbor area."

Detroit Monthly's July issue again lists as 'Best in Detroit' Sidetrack Bar and Grill's 'tavern-style dishes' and 'railroad ambiance'. Jack Miller's shop, "Hudson's Last Stand", is the focus of their 'Autofocus' feature, as well.

Rand and McNally must be redrawing their maps. Next thing you know we'll have to admit we have a university here, too!

1996 Ypsilanti Heritage Festival events in Depot Town

Thursday, 15 August
- Festival kick-off party at Miller Motors
- 8 PM. ARTRAIN preview opening

Friday 16 August
- Noon-8 PM ARTRAIN tours
- 4:30 PM Steve Hummer & Dian Glenn
- 6:30 PM Steve Nardella Trio
- 8:30 PM Al Townsend & The Couriers

Saturday, 17 August
- Noon-8 PM ARTRAIN tours
- 12:30-2 PMChildren's Talent Contest
- 2:30 PM C.C. and the Bad Luck Boys
- 4:30 PM The Skyles Band
- 6:30 PM Lady Sunshine and the X Band
- 6:30 PM Bugs Bedow Band

Sunday, 18 August
- 8:30 AM Great Train Race, Freighthouse
- 10 AM-6 PM ARTRAIN tours
- Noon Children's Pedal Pull
- 2:30 PM Mulligan Stew
- Rubber Ducky Race
- 6 PM ARTRAIN closing party for volunteers at Riverside Arts Center

Still more events listed on page three . . .

General schematic plans for a proposed Town Clock were given unanimous approval and posted in Cady's west window on July 24. Fine tuning and financing are next on the agenda. Here's how supporters can be part of the next important step in its development:

Be a part of Ypsilanti's Clock!

It's about Time, Community and Commitment

Our Ypsilanti community is certainly unique. There is much pride to be had in its almost 200-year history.

In the a beginning, it was a main trail and home to Native Americans, trappers and traders, which camped along the banks of the Huron River. Before and during the Civil War it played a prominent role in the Underground Railroad. At the turn of the century, as the city grew and prospered, it became a resort for the wealthy.

In the 1930s Henry Ford and the automotive industry came to Ypsilanti. Preston Tucker invented his precedent-setting version of the automobile — the Tucker. In World War II, the community became more culturally diverse, as thousands of people poured in from all over the country seeking employment in the Willow Run bomber plant.

There, it is only natural we build a Town Clock to commemorate Ypsilanti's past, businesses, and people, making them a permanent part of this public art form.

It is our vision to surround Ypsilanti's Town Clock with a "Path Perpetuating the Future." And, we are offering the opportunity for individuals, families, organizations, and businesses to literally be a part of this path.

An important part of history perpetuating the future...

Literally, because limited-edition bricks and plaques are being sold in order to find and maintain this important project.

The clock will be located in the Depot Town area, centrally located in the Ypsilanti community. The commemorative bricks and plaques will compose the path up to and around the clock and are available in the following limited quantities and prices:

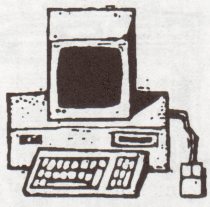
- **Corporate/Organization**
  $1000 each limited to 10 plaques
- **Family/Small Business**
  $100 each limited to 100 bricks
- **Individual**
  $50 each limited to 500 bricks

These items may be purchased to permanently honor a loved-one, pets, awards, events — the choices are endless. Each patron will also be entered into a drawing with the top prize of a Caribbean Trip for Two. Sale of the bricks and plaques will start August 1, 1996 and continue through March 1, 1997.

For more information on the Ypsilanti Town Clock please contact Bill French, P.O. Box 970235, Ypsilanti, Michigan 48197, 313/ 483-2800 or 485-4677.

Enriching programs through creative inovation and technology

- from Michigan Education Association's *Showcasing Public School Successes 1996*



Students in Cyberspace: Linking Ypsilanti's Past and Present

While many adults are still struggling to navigate the twists and turns of the "Information Highway," students in a third-grade class in Ypsilanti are busy creating their own home page on the World Wide Web.

This project was initiated when Ardis Elementary School parents expressed a desire to see a stronger emphasis on technology, and teachers, fully in agreement, looked for a meaningful way to incorporate it into the curriculum. The 25th anniversary of the school proved to be the perfect theme for integrating activities and technology. With the help of a mini-grant from Washtenaw ISD, three third-grade teachers and the Title I teacher arranged for the Internet setup, a digital camera and field trips.

Students are actively involved in collecting, organizing and analyzing information, as well as deciding what topics would be of interest to a WWW audience. They have made field trips to various historic locations, read books on Ypsilanti history, and interviewed the city historian and the retired superintendent for whom the school is named. Using the information they've gathered, students are learning language arts skills such as interviewing and editing. They are also gaining technological competencies like word processing, using a scanner and digital camera, and traversing the Internet in a purposeful way.

District history in cyberspace:

Here's what third graders Shaunta Bishop, Alex Cypert, Austin Engel, Ian Sargent, and Trevor Tennant posted on the Internet about their tours of this old block of Ypsilanti:

"Depot Town

" This is a picture of the train depot that was built in 1864. It doesn't look like this anymore because there was a train wreck that knocked down part of the depot and a fire destroyed the tower. the depot is located in the historic part of Ypsilanti called Depot Town. It's on Cross Street near the Huron River. It's called Depot Town because there is a railroad station there that used to be very very important for people who traveled by train. Today Depot Town is full of shops, like antique shops, restaurants, and a flower shop.

"In 1939 a train was going too fast and jumped the tracks. It knocked out a big rectangular shaped chunk of the Sidetrack Restaurant. No one was injured or killed. It was very interesting to learn about the effect of the wreck and how it also hit the train depot and destroyed part of it.

"The Miller Motor Car Company in Depot Town is the best antique shop we ever saw. Mr. Miller is the only Hudson car dealers in the world. He lets movie producers rent his cars for old gangsters movies like The Untouchables.

"There is a red caboose next to the freight house. It is fun to climb on. Ten years ago John Waite donated it to Depot Town. Because the caboose was fifty miles away they put it between boxcars to carry it to Depot Town.

"The caboose is a symbol to Depot Town. A little picture of a caboose appears on every copy of the local newspaper, *Depot Town Rag*. Cabooses stopped running over twenty years ago. A long time ago the train workers slept in cabooses."

Market Views & Interviews by Judy Andrews

Crafts vendors featured at Heritage Festival

Heritage Festival will see the Farmers' Market open with many of the regular craftsfolk showing their best work.

- **Tom (The Toyman) Johnston** with his handmade old fashioned wooden toys, games and mind-teasing puzzles.
- **Marlene Hurley** with her porcelain angels and stuffed bears dressed in Victorian clothes and her partner, Karen Robinson who makes her own line of clothing plus jewelry to accessorize.
- **Fern Butler** displays her collection of farm animals dressed up in people clothes and other unusual things.
- **Beverly O'Dell** sells a line of creative rubber stamps which she uses to make her hand-colored greeting cards that she then adorns with sparkles and other neat stuff.
- **Susan Andrews** takes her desings from nature as she weaves grapevines into wreaths and decorates them with dried flowers and other wild things, truly a delight for the eye.
- **Marietta Cook** presents her wooden jewelry, and has added a line a sterling and mixed shell jewelry.
- For rock lovers, **Gail Kronbluth's** World of Rocks/Ride for Bob is a fascinating little rock and bead shop with a large selection of rocks, minerals and fossils, hand-wrapped stones, gems and beaded jewelry. It's also a geologically educational journey back to the dawn of time. Each month Gail highlights a prartiucular stone; this month, pumice - the rock that floats.

Best news of all: When Festival is over, all these Market crafts vendors will still be available Wednesdays and Saturdays 7 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Dateline: Depot Town

A Neighborhood Forgotten by Time (and Life and Newsweek)

More Heritage Festival events in Depot Town:

- All three days: Antique Engine Display at the Caboose by the Depot Town Antique Engine Club
- 8:30 PM Friday: Big Band Concert & Street Dance w/ Al Townsend & The Couriers
- Saturday & Sunday: Farmer's Market w/ produce, cut flowers, plants, food, and live music.
- All three days: Heritage Farm Tool Display in the Freighthouse

Toilet Talk

"Tommy the Toilet" garnered the interest of *Press/News'* Will Stewart in early June and, as usual, the story was picked up by Burb TV's talking heads who tittered over the toilet which had "mysteriously appeared" in front of local businesses. Loose talk of "suspicious strangers in a black sedan" and "unique publicity stunts" crowded the print and airway media as the blue-green commode was passed up and down the street, flaunting its crass floral display with anally retentive abandon and jokes not heard since we were in third grade.

By mid-summer, even the *Observer* picked up on the news that "John" was in Ann Arbor!

Seems there's always been some wag in the old railroad district who loves to pull a prank, a sight gag, or a practical joke. And we still love to reflect upon such foolishness too, don't we? In a day when so many politically correct folks seem not to be able to take a joke, Depot Town still enjoys corny, hometown humor -- and it seems our consumers enjoy it too.

Permanence promised

The newest sign on East Cross Street announces "Hair To Stay," a beauty salon which joins the district's line-up of excellent personal care and maintenance. Regulars on the block wondered if the new name might promise beauty co-owners Terry Ellis, Micki Bronham, and Cathy Britt are making some kind of pledge to end the rapid turn-over that has been seen at that tiny address in recent years.

Desserts, gourmet popcorn, leather goods, and Black league baseball memorabilia have moved in and out with great fanfare and promise. "We three have been moving around for fifteen years in this business," says Terry Ellis, "and now we're ready to promise our loyal customers that we're Hair To Stay!"

The magic is back

Tim Wise has purchased the garage on Ninde Street to house his 'mobile tea cart' business among other enterprises from his creative and prolific mind. A professional magician, Wise is probably best remembered for "The Mean Bean", his Mexican restaurant which held forth in the Follett House for several years. Tim and his mom, Mary Wise, have been regulars on this rail town scene for more than a decade.

Pizza redux

Also vying for Heritage Festival deadline is the long-awaited work on Pizza Garden's exterior. Back door service and delivery continue by calling 483-4555.

New at 27 E. Cross: Desserts 'N' More

Brenda Knox is happy to announce that Desserts 'N' More will be coming soon to Ypsilanti with all types of pastries, such as: home-baked sweet potato desserts, cheese cakes, apple pies, cherry pies, cakes, cookies, brownies, muffins, and croissants.

She also features Benjamin Twigg's jams and jellies, candies, nuts, gourmet coffees, teas, gift items and gift baskets.

Drop by Brenda's Designs on You & Treasures shop to see her most recent incarnation. Her new interior café setting follows her usual good taste and elegant design.

27 East Cross, in Depot Town (phone 482-2010).

Plum good-looking

Notice the colors picked out of the awning and directed on to the panel inserts on the front facade of Remington's - by Design in their classy new paint job this summer. The outside is every bit as pretty as the inside!

Rubber Duckies ready to swim

This year's Heritage Fest Rubber Ducky Race is to benefit both the Depot Town Associaiton and Friends of theYpsilanti Police Programs. Scheduled for 4P.M. Sunday, August 18, thousands of yellow bathtub-style Duckies will be dumped off the Cross Street Bridge with these prizes offered to the first Duckies to cross the finish line:

1st Prize: Tiger Shark Montego Personal Water Craft (retail value $4,499), courtesy of Michigan Motor Sports

2nd Prize: Home Computer Package

3rd Prize: Mountain Bike

4th Prize: DEPOT TOWN DAY

Remington's by Design $50 gift certificate, Me 'N' My Sister's Country Store $50 gift certificate, Renewed Interest Antiques $25gift certificate & $50 appraisal, Sidetrack $50 gift certificate

5th Prize: Huron Golf Club, two 18-hole rounds with cart

6th Prize: Green Oaks Golf Course two 18-hole rounds with cart, plus Cady's Grill $50 gift certificate

7th Prize: Hickory Woods Golf Course two 18-hole rounds with cart, plus Louis' Cafe $20 gift certificate

8th Prize: Quality Training Enhancements $50 Savings Bond

9th Prize: Puffer Red $50 gift certificate

10th Prize: ACE Hardware $50 lawn mower tune-up

Raffle tickets will be on sale before and during Festival all over Depot Town.

19th annual historic home tour

One 19th and four early 20th century homes will be featured when the Ypsilanti Heritage Foundation holds its 19th Annual Tour on Sunday, August 18, noon - 5 P.M.

This year's tour represents a variety of Post-Victorian architectural styles, from Ypsilanti's West Side: one from the Normal Park neighborhood and three from the College Heights neighborhood. Although a few homes were built in Normal Park in the 19th century, the neighborhood really began to develop around the turn of the century and during the period preceding World War I. Building in the College Heights neighborhood began in the mid-1920s. Not surprisingly, with the proximity to Michigan State Normal College (now EMU) both neighborhoods became home to a number of faculty members, as well as professionals and businessmen.

The first home on tour is a landmark building located in the heart of Ypsilanti's downtown historic district. A stately, Queen Anne Style duplex built in 1894, it has literally risen from the ashes of a recent devastating fire to live again, like the legendary bird from which it gets its name: Phoenix Place Apartments

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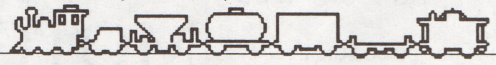

DTA 20 June 1996

• **Minutes** of May approved.

• **Treasurer's report** approved.

Committee Reports:

• **Farmers Market Advisory:** Lights for west side of building will be installed in a few weeks. The first allotment of coupons for Operations Fresh have been distributed. The City is presently taking bids for someone to operate the coffee shop.

• **DDA:** The flowers will be tended by a new caretaker this year. Paul Buczkowski was hired to water and weed this growing season. Homeowners and renters membership has dropped so low that they no longer have representation at DDA meetings.

• **Kiosk sign:** Any new business to be represented by signage needs to contact Bill French.

• **Rubber Ducky race:** T-shirts are now on sale for $12 for any size shirt. See local merchants. Or get a T-shirt free by volunteering time. See Charlotte at Me 'N' My Sisters or Judy at Renewed Interest Antiques. Tickets will be on sale soon for $5 per ticket. Special pre-sale offer = 5 tickets for $20. On sale soon at Depot Town merchant's shops.

• **Heritage Festival:** DTA talked about sponsoring a big band at Heritage Festival like last year. Roger Julie to see about arranging for the band.

• **Clock Tower:** Bill French showed DTA two blueprints of projected ideas for streetscape and clock tower. Those present unanimously picked one design as a launching point. Bill and committee will next meet with DDA to discuss plans.

Unfinished Business:

• **501 (c) 3 paperwork** is being tacked and should be ready to submit in a few weeks.

New Business:

• **Amy Walker, the Depot Town police officer,** came to the meeting to introduce herself and to hear concerns. She reported that she is working on getting a speed cart on Cross Street. it may take a couple of months. Amy's phone number is 483-6680.

• **Chris Simmons from City of Ypsilanti recycling** came to address issues with commercial businesses. Right now there is no plan for picking up commercial recycling matter. There is no funding for it. Drop off of recycling materials can be done Thursdays and Fridays from nine to five or by appointments. Merchants can also call Ypsi Recycling at 485-0539. Washtenaw County DPW has flyers available concerning commercial recycling. You can contact them for information at 994-2398.

• **Riverside Arts Center** to have free shows during Heritage Festival to include a Saturday show for kids.

Best Yet Award: To the River Street community for their hard work to beautify the area - especially the boulevard. Looks great!

Next meeting: 18 July 1996 at 6 P.M. at Renewed Interest Antiques.

DTA 24 July 1996

Short meeting; no minutes.

NOTE: time change for next DTA meeting:

One week *earlier* than usual:
6 P.M. Thursday, August 8, 1996
at Renewed Interest Antiques.

They're back!

Many years ago the Farmers' Market put together a Food Facts Cookbook with the help of a nutritionist from EMU and recipes from our farm vendors. The wonderful little book contains vacts on vegetables and how to prepare them in the most simply delicious way. Due to popular demand, the cookbook is back once again. The price is $3 and can be purchased any Wednesday or Saturday at the Market.

Whistle Stop Coffee Shop ...

...at the Market not only has a new name, but a new face -- in the person of Redford Township's Valarie Newland of Applause Catering, a division of Variety Vending Co. Valarie is the granddaughter of Vi Berger, who has been the caterer for all of the Steve Gross auctions. The food is good, the prices even better. Look for her lunchoen specials every Wednesday and Saturday at the Market.

Saturday Market parking...

... shouldn't be a problem during Festival with the Forest/Rice entry open for quick stops at the Farmers' Market. More information and customer stickers are available.

Fountain's fate finally found

In their search for the Starkweather fountain since May, many readers have scoured their basements and dragged the river, but Jim Pate's assessment is the most accurate and telling of all: "It was melted down in 1942," says Pate, who bought Ypsilanti Iron and Metal in 1977.

Jack and Leo Hertzburg were the previous owners of the foundry, taking over from their father's day when it operated on Michigan Avenue, on the site of today's donut shop. Jack Miller relates the story of this patriotic effort for economy of World War II.

What came in as public art, may have flown out of Willow Run as a bomber!

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Auto Show Toots and Squawks

Glen Dusbiber has taken out the agency for the Overland car.

Frank Collins representing the Rajah Spark Plug Co. of New York, has just placed the agency for his goods with Glen Dusbiber of the Saxon and Overland Garage and Joseph H. Thompson agent for the Dodge. The Rajah spark plug is used on nearly all of the big racing machines and by manufacturers of aeroplanes. Mr. Collins speaks very highly of the auto show, in fact is staying over this evening, "to see the whole show thru."

The electric sign display by McKie and Crouse is receiving considerable attention of visitors. Mr. McKie, who is just starting to manufacture house numbers which can be read in the night, had a wise thought and so is showing an illumninated key hole along with other articles which he is turning out at his sign shop. Mr. McKie says no doubt men folks will be quick to note the advantage of this little article as it will be found very convenient when coming home late in the evening.

E.G.Wiedman and M.G.Day take a few minutes off at short intervals from telling about the FORD and go up on the second floor and help the Pythian Sisters sell articles from the different booths.

T.E.Schaible's Buick family on the first floor and his auto accessory booth on the second floor are two very attractive displays.

Joeseph Thompson says, "On the right you have the Dodge chassis, on the left the Dodge Sedan, — over there is John Connor's Dodge roadster, — it runs so still that you cannot hear it, but a blind man can easily see and tell it."

Tonight promises to bring a record breaking crowd and the committees are busy making ready to care for all those coming from Ann Arbor, Saline, and Milan.

It is reported that several car sales have been made by each of the different dealers.

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Glover Building being transformed into bower of beauty for Auto Show

Carpenters are busily engaged putting up the framework for the booths for the Automobile Show and Easter Sale, and the Scharf Tag building bids fair to be transformed into a bower of beauty under the skillful direction of the decorating committee.

Some original ideas are being carried out along this line which present an attractive and artistic appearance.

The space on the lower floor will be occupied by the Knights of Pythias for automobiles and auto accessories. On this floor may be seen the serviceable car which belongs to the Pythian Sisters.

The second floor is devoted to a display of articles both beautiful and useful — fancy work, including handmade articles, fancy baskets, handpainted china, aprons, both utility and dainty, little handmade affairs; handkerchiefs and towels fo all kinds. The exhibit also includes some nice comfortables and it goes without saying that the flower booth with its bevy of bright blossoms is always attractive.

Equally attractive are the homebaked goods and self serve booths, particularly if one is hungry.

The parcel post booth is making a strong plea, for it contains packages from nearly every state in the Union.

A number of very pretty articles will be disposed of as special features.

A dance will be held both evenings in the annex on the second floor. Good music will be furnished and there will be plenty of fun.

The Pythian Sister order has a reputation for its relief work among destitute and needy families and its object being a worthy one, certainly deserves liberal patronage.

Many local firms are buying space to exhibit their goods, as well as patronizing the Sisters in other ways.

19 March 1917

Auto Show is Big Success

Pythian Sisters realize seven hundred dollars from novel venture; all busy Saturday night

Of course it wasn't to be compared to what you would see in Detroit, Chicago, or New York, but for a small town affair and a two day session it was what you might call "there." Speaking about the combined auto show, Pythian Sister Easter sale and Knights of Pythias doings on Pearl street Friday and Saturday of last week.

Saturday evening ws the "Big Time." The building was packed, but it was a most orderly crowd and the affair was perfectly conducted. No rowdyism, no smoking, just a big gathering of ladies and gentlemen out to help to make the affair a success. And a success it was. Every dealer sold one or more cars and lined up some very good prospects which will develop into future sales. The Pythian ladies cleared better than $700 to pay them for their time and trouble and the Knights in the neighborhood of $150 to $200.

The Weidman auto company brought from Detroit on Saturday evening the Ford Hawaiian quintet of musicians and songsters. M.G. Day of the local Ford agency escorted them up to the second floor of the building where the Pythian Sister fair was in full swing. Under the leadership of Mr. Day they made a tour of the building playing "It's Pineapples in Hawaii but it's Fords tonight." As they passed the flower booth they were given a generous shower of violets, roses and carnations.

The dance hall was filled to overflowing by young and old at five cents per dance. They say that A.M. Reanne as a ticket seller is a marvel. Mrs. Morris B. Chappin has a nice new Ford.

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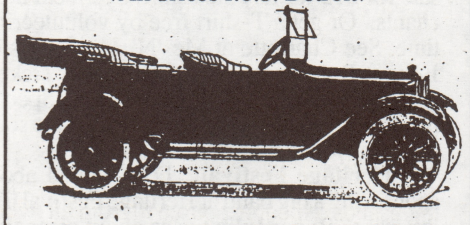

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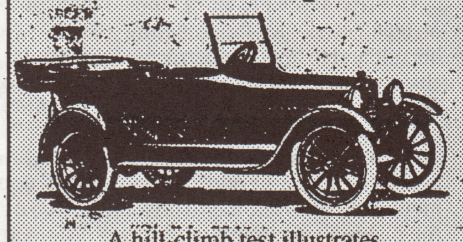

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ARTRAIN to make 7th stop here

Depot Town has changed since Artrain's first stop here in 1971. Ypsilanti boasts more stops of the travelling art museum than any rail town in America, and Artrain has closely followed the rebirth and success of this little depot district for the past twenty-five years. This year's exhibit celebrates what such art and creativity can do:

Art in Celebration!, featuring over 30 artworks from The Smithsonian Associates collection in Washington, D.C., will mark the seventh stop of Artrain, the nation's only touring art gallery, when it makes its August stop for the Ypsilanti Heritage Festival.

A special preview opening is set for 8 P.M. Thursday, 15 August, at the north deck of the Freighthouse in conjunction with kick-off events for Heritage Festival. Supporters will enjoy the community's first viewing of the unique new installation on board Artrain's three gallery cars and studio car. Artrain will be open for group and individual tours Friday and Saturday from Noon until 8 P.M. and Sunday from 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Ypsilanti's Artrain committee is seeking volunteer gallery guides and local artists who wish to demonstrate their skills in the studio car. A special training session for guides will be held shortly after Artrain's arrival on Thursday, August 15 and again Friday morning before opening to the public. Volunteers are encouraged to call Riverside Arts Center (480-2787) to make their interest known this week.

Artrain's stop is hosted by the Ypsilanti Area Visitor & Convention Bureau, Ypsilanti Public Schools, and Riverside Arts Center and a grant from the Washtenaw Council for the Arts. The Chrysler Corporation has been named Artrain's National Title Sponsor for the three-year *Art In Celebration!* tour.

Since opening its doors in 1971, Artrain has welcomed over 2.5 million visitors in thirty-eight states. Both rural areas without museums and culturally diverse urban centers benefit from an Artrain visit because the unique museum-in-a-train facility attracts non-traditional museum audiences as well as established "art lovers". Artrain is particularly proud of its role in bringing attention to Ypsilanti's long-neglected Depot Town district and has paralleled its success in each of its visits since 1971. This year's tour is seen as a victory celebration for all of Ypsilanti as well as the staff of Artrain.

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